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SUBJECT: IMMEDIATE ACTION DEMARCHE ON AMENDING THE CUBA  
EMBARGO RESOLUTION

REF: A) SECSTATE 184156 B) GAUDIOSI-LABONTE E-MAIL

OCTOBER 27

Classified By: POL/C ERIC V. GAUDIOSI; REASONS 1.4 (B) AND (D)

¶1. (C) We provided reftel points to the MFA Americas  
Department and International Organization Department November  
7, highlighting the importance of expeditious consideration  
in follow-up contacts with the Ministry.

¶2. (C) Our contacts were not aware of the Australian  
amendment and welcomed news of our efforts to coordinate with  
EU capitals and with embassies in Washington.

¶3. (C) As the broad concerns re GoH activism on Cuba outlined  
by FM Goncz (ref b) remain in effect, we emphasized our  
request in the context of a united front consistent with  
previous EU positions and in keeping with GoH concerns re the  
human rights situation in Cuba. MFA officials indicated that  
Budapest will likely look to the EU's common position on this  
issue.

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